

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/759,470

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the RCE filed November 14, 2006 and the telephone interview of December 14, 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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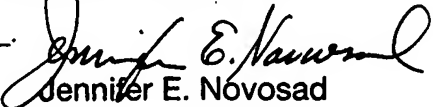
4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date Attached hereto.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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Request for Continued Examination

The request filed on November 14, 2006 for a Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 based on parent Application No. 10/759,470 is acceptable and an RCE has been established. An action on the RCE follows.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. James H. Walters on December 14, 2006.

Claim 1 has been amended as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A tool suspension device

comprising:

a suspension board having a front; and

a tool bracket mounted demountably on the front of the
suspension board and having

a U-shaped body having a top, a bottom, two opposite
sides each having an interior and exterior surface, a front having an interior surface which
extends between the top and bottom and in between the interior surfaces of the sides and an
exterior surface which extends between the top and bottom and between the exterior surfaces of

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the sides free from a parting line, and a longitudinal tool slot defined from between the top to and the bottom, between the interior surfaces of the sides and a continuous parting line formed around the top, the bottom and the sides, wherein the
parting line is separated from the front; and between the interior surface of the front and the front of the board;

wherein when the bracket is viewed from the top, a first parting line is visible which extends substantially adjacent the front of the bracket at a location lying between the interior and exterior surfaces of the front, and the first parting line extending from the exterior surface of one of the sides to the exterior surface of the other of the sides and being generally parallel to the board;

wherein when the bracket is viewed from the bottom, a second parting line is visible which extends substantially adjacent the front of the bracket at a location between the interior and exterior surfaces of the front and the second parting line extending from the exterior surface of one of the sides to the exterior surface of the other of the sides;

wherein when the bracket is viewed from a first one of the sides, a third parting line is visible which extends substantially adjacent the front of the bracket and between the top and bottom;

wherein when the bracket is viewed from a second one of the sides, a fourth parting line is visible which extends substantially adjacent the front of the bracket and between the top and bottom;

wherein the first, second, third, and fourth parting lines form a continuous parting line around the top, bottom and sides which is entirely not visible when the bracket is viewed from

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the exterior surface of the front and the exterior surface of the front being entirely free from the parting lines; and


a product indicator molded on the exterior surface of the front of the U-shaped body.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jennifer E. Novosad whose telephone number is 571-272-6832.

The examiner can normally be reached on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 5:30am-3:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Peter M. Cuomo can be reached on 571-272-6856. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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